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**FARMERS INSTITUTE MEETING.**

ADDRESS BY PROF. SHAW, OF GUELPH AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, ONT., ON MIXED FARMING AND CHOICE OF STOCK

On Saturday last the Farmers Institute of Elkhorn met for the purpose of acquiring agricultural information from cultured sources, held a meeting in the Forester's hall, to take in an address by Mr. Shaw, the well known agricultural experimentalist from Guelph College, Ont. Mr. Wm. Wood, president of the institute, presided, and after the adoption of the minutes at read by the Sec. Treas., he called upon Mr. Shaw for his address.

The lecturer does not outwardly indicate much of the agriculturalist, and his thin features and slim corporeal appearance indicated more a theoretical than a practical knowledge. But it was soon obvious that his appearance did not faithfully represent his knowledge or ability. The learned gentleman is an effective speaker, and apparently well up in his work. In his opening remarks he paid a flattering tribute to the intelligence of his audience, and the Anglo Saxon origin of the agricultural community of Manitoba, and while claiming comparative ignorance of the advantages of Manitoba, one that of Ontario, he was finally convinced from his brief sojourn in this prairie province, that Manitoba is an exceedingly fertile country and a long way ahead of Ontario. At the same time he did not admit that Manitoba possessed superior, or even equal, agricultural facilities in every respect, he did assert that her wheat and cereal producing facilities were superior to that of eastern countries.

But to be candid, which he believed ever man ought to be, he was disappointed at the conclusion he had been compelled to arrive at after his examination of the sheep products of Manitoba, which he found to be inferior to what he had anticipated. A sack of the judges of the stock at the late Winnipeg exhibition, he had found them inferior in substance, wool and skin, and obtained only as much of the oily substance that adheres to the hands examining sheep, from a dozen sheep as he would obtain from one in Ontario.

Referring to the wheat crops of Manitoba, he stated that the farmers were producing excellent qualities of grain, grew too large a quantity, not too much per acre, but too many acres per man.

Speaking of the natural fertility of the soil of Manitoba, he touched on the importance of conserving its natural fertility which was not as easily obtained as in Ontario. He claims that the fertility of the soil diminishes per annum, and as a proof of the assertion he stated that a few days previous, while in the Portage Plains, he had seen wheat sown on low land breast high, and in close proximity thereto, upon the same kind of soil, the third or fourth years crop, a foot lower, and, as far as was able to judge, fifty per cent less per acre. He insisted on the importance of conserving the soil fertility, and depreciated the folly that many farmers were adopting of drawing their manure away to the valley and burning it up, and expects the time will come when farmers will regret the waste of the manure.

Referring to the importance of conserving the virtue of the soil, and the importance of restoring, in reply to the contention that many claimed that the soil was too rich, he said he would like to see it. But in case the soil was too rich it could be toned down. It was preferable not to grow one particle of crop for many years in succession, but to adopt rotation of crops and interchange seeds. Returning to the manure question he insisted on the importance of a halt in carting away manure, and said they could not afford it. The long dry atmosphere of Manitoba placed the farmers at some disadvantage in getting their manure properly stored. He claimed that could be overcome by putting more muscle into it and turning it over; and while he anticipated they had not yet adopted that slow process, it was a fact that the existence of large quantities of nitrogen were the foundations of the wonderful facilities of this country.

Turning to the subject of stock raising he was not so sure that they could reap much profit from stock raising with prices away down at 2 1/2 cents per lb. live weight, yet he claimed that if they only

turned some of their produce into stock they would find it all away, even though they did it at cost, they would be the gainers, as they would have the fatter trodden back again into the soil, and thus retain its fertility. In regard to the selection of stock he did not recommend any great outlay in procuring stock of a thoroughbred character, so long as they always (whenver possible) mated with a thoroughbred sire. He ably defended this statement by showing that where once or two different blood elements were bred into the dam, her repellent power was neutralized. Consequently the progeny inherited the characteristics of the male. He referred to the cross breeding of thoroughbreds in England, and while useful and profitable in the Highland Black face sheep been mated with those of a stronger, heavier breed in the lowlands, the lambs and ewes were not preserved for breeding purposes, but fed up for the market. But in Manitoba there are no demands for cross breeding of this nature. In regard to improving the pedigree of milchifers it was not advisable to be continually crossing, but to choose the kind the individual farmer regards as most pecuniarily adapted to his purpose.

The professor here suspended his address for the purpose of eliciting any questions that the members of the institute were desirous of procuring information upon, and intimated that if any those present did not know anything that he could tell them it would be their own fault.

After a little delay the professor asked if anyone present had any experience in the growth of rape seed in Manitoba, and in reply to an affirmative statement by a farmer from the Birnie district, he expressed himself as having infinite confidence in its utility to Manitoba farmers. If sown on summer fallow it made excellent fodder until the frost made it dangerous for use, owing to its bloating tendencies, and regarded it as 50 per cent superior to clover. But one danger attended it as a green fodder, for if eaten when wet with dew or rain, or when the stock are very hungry it was somewhat dangerous, but if used judiciously it was certainly very beneficial, and does not detract from the fertility of the soil, as the seeds winter through and destroy the weeds and seeds. It will also taint the milk if eaten green, but when cut and dried has not that effect. Professor Shaw then warned the farmers of the injurious existence of a prolific weed, known as the "Tumbling weed," and persistently classified by an amateur agriculturist present as a Russian Thistle, though not identified with that family at all. He (the lecturer) had discovered this injurious plant in the district of Indian Head, where, in a period of three years, it has covered an area of ten acres, and in his opinion it had come to stay, whereas by a little timely attention it might have been avoided. He concluded his address by a few further remarks upon the different qualities of grasses, and while fully aware of the usefulness of native prairie grasses, he did not regard it as the most useful or fruitful, and anticipated the time when the farmers would realize the importance of introducing superior grasses in their pastures.

The lecturer is unquestionably an expert in scientific farming, and one who, if reduced to practice, cannot fail to have a salutary effect upon the farming industry. He is death on weeds and is making this one his special branch of study. Every kind of weed that is peculiar to this continent is cultivated on the Guelph Farm, and every endeavor made to discover their cause, consequences and cure, and an invitation is given to all who discover any new kind of weed of a troublesome character, to forward seed of same to the professor. The address was listened to with rapt attention, and the interest was maintained to the close, and although the attendance was very slim, only twenty-four being present (owing to the hayings those who were present certainly did not waste their time by attending).

The professor left on the evening express going east.

**WALLACE COUNCIL.**

Council of Wallace met at Elkhorn, Saturday, 29th July, 1893. Present Reeve and all the Councilors. The following letters were read viz: Letter from Commissioner of the Interior for 1893 amounting to \$1113. Letter from E. Wood to the Reeve, Mr. Crosby, in reply to his of 22nd July. Frederick Reeve re taxes against N.W. 51, 12, 20.

Resolution presented by D. J. McDonald, and others re Union School between Wallace and Woodworth.

Duncan McGregor re statue labor, work by T. W. J. Dee.

Lund-Wood-That the Sec. Treas. be authorized to issue cheques in payment of accounts for destroying noxious weeds.

When such claims are accompanied by a certificate from a member of Council stating that the work was performed in accordance with the directions, and that the amounts charged are correct, and also what land is to be charged with the amount. Carried.

The printing Committee recommended W. H. Hall's account of \$23.85, paid.

Whiteford-Lund-That the report of the printing committee be adopted. Carried.

Finance committee recommended the payment of the following accounts:

Frame & Miller, ballot box and lock, \$3.00. Oil for grader, and two cow bars, \$3.00. Vital statistics, \$8.50. Thos. Moffat, noxious weeds, S.W. 10, 11, 27, \$2.00. N.W. 10, 11, 27, \$2.00. W. B. Proctor, sending for sheep, \$1.00. McDonnell, expenses to Winnipeg, \$3.00.

Wood-Whiteford-That the report of Finance Committee be accepted, and Treas. issue cheques for the amounts. Carried.

G. Phillips, \$8.25; R. Bailey, \$4.25; W. McLeod, \$3.00; B. Mowat, \$10.50; W. Yeo, \$21.00; F. Friedman, \$1.00.

That \$25 of the above be charged to each of the following wards: 3, 4, 5, 6.

The Committee on education having recommended the petition of D. J. McDonald and 12 others re union school between Wallace and Woodworth, would recommend that Jas. Eider be appointed arbitrator.

for the Municipality of Wallace. Whiteford-Turnbull-That the report of Educational committee be adopted. Carried.

Turnbull-Whiteford-That the Reeve and Sec. Treas. be authorized to sign necessary papers to J. H. Agnew, to act as representative of the Municipality at the meeting of the creditors of the Commercial Bank to be held at Winnipeg on 17th August.

Wood-John-That the Reeve and Treas. be authorized to take the necessary steps to have the crossings on the C.P.R. put in proper shape for crossing, as some of them are not passable in the present shape. Carried.

Turnbull-Whiteford-That the old grader be put to work on the road between Wards 4 and 5 under the direction of Committee Whiteford and Turnbull, and a sufficient sum granted to grade two miles of road commencing at the S.E. corner of Sec. 1, T. 10, R. 10, E. 10.

Freeman-Turnbull-That the portions of Mayheu estate not needed for roadway be offered for sale on Saturday, August 11th, by public auction, by McDonnell & Fraser, auctioneers, subject to a reserve.

Terms of sale to be announced on day of sale by the auctioneers and Treas. and that portion of the road allowance not needed be offered at the same time. Sale subject to the ability of the Council to furnish satisfactory title to said lands. Carried.

Freeman-Turnbull-That Councilors be instructed to get grader on town line between 6 and 8 Wards repaired, and drain if possible. Carried.

Councilor Turnbull in the chair read Hy Laid's a 1/2 acre and time, Reeve in the chair read a third time, passed. Council adjourned to meet at Virden on September 9th.

**BACHELOR FARMERS.**

In a recent number of the Pilot Mound Sentinel appeared the following readable editorial under the heading of "Bachelor Farmers." There are no more viable industries, unfortunately, and the people are persons amongst the rural population of Manitoba that those who are known as bachelors; generally excellent men, existing in considerable numbers in various portions of the province, but becoming poorer, more unhappy, more unhealthy and more desolate as years roll by. These hermits have not been made for some misfortune; they start to make homes on good farms, intending to settle down when they have made things comfortable around them, but instead of becoming better, matters become worse; nor can it be otherwise. The young man rises in the morning, leaves unmade the bed that has been made the night before, and in the evening he finds his house empty, and the dusty house prepares a hasty and ill-cooked breakfast, which is eaten from off unwashed dishes. The bread is generally sour, or hard, or dry, the butter salty and rancid; the coffee worthless, the meat burned on one side and raw on the other. The breakfast table is left covered by dirty dishes and slops, while a million flies gather to feed in undisturbed peace. The unrefreshed bachelor goes to the field lonely, miserable and dyspeptic. At noon he drives his team to the stable out of the hot sun, and then goes into his shanty and builds a hot fire in order to get dinner. Heated by hard work under a blazing sun, a good wash and a cool room and a well cooked meal is what he requires but what he cannot have. A supper is in the same thing over again. He underclothes himself, seldom washes, becomes clad by perspiration, and his bedclothes are in the same unhealthy condition. When he is in the distant field at work, the hawks soar around the forsaken house and catch the chickens in the yard; the dog bays, the garden if he has one; the calves get out of the stock pen, suck the cows. Sometimes the deserted house burns down from a spark that may drop from the neglected stove. When the bachelor is visiting the grocery store, the mill, or the blacksmith shop, cattle get into his grain fields or pull down his stacks, and there is no one to let the dogs loose, and the hawks swoop and swoop and swoop. So the year goes by, the mail becomes poorer and has that peculiar neglected look common to men who live alone. Health soon becomes impaired, and the mind often sympathizes with the body. What the bachelor requires in his home is a broad shouldered sturdy wife, that will keep the house in order as well as the husband who owns it, and who will see that the cooking and blankets are made clean and are kept so; who will serve a good, well cooked dinner with fresh bread of her own making, delicious butter of her own churning; who will see that groceries are good and that proper value has been received for money expended; who will wash and mend her husband's clothing, and replace the single nails that have been used as substitutes for buttons; who will look after the hens' nests, and see that the ducks are kept in order; and who will place the Bible on the table when the day's work is over, and the one who will read it to him.

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Is it hot enough for you?  
Mr. Kenhaw spent Friday last in Brandon.  
Table Oil Cloth, 25c per yd. at Robt. M. Coombs & Co.

Mr. Coombs has purchased a new  
Jax wagon.  
Three boxes of Pink Flannel for \$1.00 at R. M. Coombs & Co.

Flannelette at 10c per yard at Robt. M. Coombs & Co.  
The boys are wondering if Grandpa was too warm in his last night.

Mrs. J. W. Elphinstone returned from her visit to Carberry last week.  
Mr. A. E. Wilson, of the Indian Homes, spent Saturday last in Brandon.

A White Stoneware Tea set, 41 pieces for \$1.75 at R. M. Coombs & Co.

'Spotted Sam' will trot a mile in spite of all his owner can do to prevent him.  
The thermometer registered 103 in the shade yesterday afternoon. 'Fiew' wasn't it?

The Salvation Army will hold a meeting to-morrow evening (Friday) in Broadley's Hall.  
A train load of Dering's binders passed through here Thursday en route for Australia.

Miss Watkins, who has been spending a few weeks in Beulah, returned home last week.  
John McEwen, merchant tailor of Virden, and C. J. Bell, of the same place, was in town on Monday.

Mr. Sam Stevenson left on Friday last for his home at Willowdale, Ont., where he intends to remain.  
Mr. T. Smith has placed his trotting horse, "Mammoth Star," in the hands of Jack North for training.

Mr. J. C. Stull, who spent some six weeks in Elkhorn last spring, returned to town on Thursday evening last.  
Mr. D. McLaughlin, who has been on the Advocate staff for the last four or five months, left for Virden yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Little arrived from Glasgow, Scotland, a few days ago, and are visiting at Allan McLeod's.  
No 2 says he prefers it two in the shade (himself and another) to one hundred and three in the shade with such excessive heat.

The Elkhorn loon says people ought not to have to work these days, it is too hot, even to sleep. Would not 20 of frost be refreshing now?

One of the men working in the gravel pit a few miles up the track received a sunstroke yesterday afternoon. It was so hot the gang had to stop working.

Mr. Alex. Stewart had a bad spell of sunstroke on Tuesday afternoon last. For a while he was quite ill. We are happy to relate that he is around again.

A very disastrous hail storm visited the neighborhood of Portage last week taking a strip of territory eight miles wide, and 150 long, and almost totally destroying the whole crop.

The children of the Indian Homes held a picnic on Saturday afternoon last, about a mile south of town, games were played, a sumptuous repast eaten, and altogether, a very pleasant time was spent.

Mr. Geo. Fraser, of the Restaurant, has just got in a stock of fruit, delicious peaches, plums, pears, Apples, blueberries, etc. Call and buy some. Fine Oranges and Lemons always in stock.

Rev. Mr. Scott, classical tutor of Manitoba College, preached in the Presbyterian church on Sunday last, morning and evening. Both sermons and congregations were good. Rev. Mr. Fortune, B. A., occupied the pulpit of the Rev. Mr. Urquhart of Brandon. Mr. Fortune gave a paper before the Virden Sunday School Convention yesterday, and returned to town last night.

Phillip Hill, the boy arrested for the murder of Albert Greaves, was tried before Magistrate McDougall at Virden on Wednesday of last week, and from the evidence given there is not a shadow of doubt but that Greaves was poisoned, and Phillip Hill the party who committed the deed. The magistrate said he would send the case before the first assizes of the western judicial district at Brandon next November.

Yesterday was a great day for the Indian boys and girls from the Washakie and Kootenai Home. About forty of them took advantage of the C. P. R. picnic to Moosomin on that day, and had a very enjoyable time. Besides these a large number of people from Elkhorn and district took advantage of the reduced rate and paid the town of Moosomin a neighborly call. 103 tickets in all were sold at Elkhorn station, which besides the usual train from other parts made quite an influx of visitors to the important Western town.

There will be a Grand Union Picnic on Tuesday, August 28, at Brandon, under the patronage of the following orders: Independent Order of Oddfellows, Union Camp, Ancient Order of Foresters, Canadian Order of Foresters, Sons of Esop, Knights of Treface, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Royal Templars, Independent Templars, Brandon Fire Department, Clan Gordon and Independent Order of Foresters. \$500 of prize money. 300 visitors expected. The picnic will be held on the Experimental Farm grounds. The whole farm will be thrown open to visitors on August 28. A special train leaves Winnipeg for Brandon on the morning of the 28, round trip, \$2.75. Millitia to Brandon, round trip, \$1.75. Moosomin to Brandon, round trip, \$2.50. Pains Humboldt's Concert Co. at the Brandon Opera House in the evening. W. H. Hooper, Secretary Union Committee. D. J. Anderson, Chairman Union Committee.

Read R. M. Coombs and Co's. chance of ad's.  
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The cheese factory at Carberry has closed down owing to the want of patronage.

It is reported that the Hon. Wilfred Laurier will visit Manitoba about the middle of August and will hold a series of meetings throughout the Province. It is his wish to visit the leading towns throughout the country.

Two persons dared themselves to death at a picnic in Chicago the other day. Maggie Connor, 16 years old, dropped dead on the dancing platform, one of the parks, and Jas. Appalo, 19 years old, met a similar fate at Grove Park.

A little item in a newspaper may sometimes make a man an enemy to his paper for life, but it won't stop him from reading it. It rarely changes him from a reader to a borrower. Every publisher can recall the names of citizens who come under this head. Carberry Express.

Mrs. Prest writes from Virden whither she went with Cecil a week that since she appeared on her wheel there, many of the ladies of the town have taken a keen interest in bicycling, and a number of ladies' wheels will be brought to the western town. There is no reason whatever why bicycling should not become as popular among ladies in Manitoba as it has become in the east with the fair sex. Portage Liberal.

An exchange policy, that under the new game law book agents may be killed from Aug. 1 to Oct. 1, sprang poets from March 1 to July 1, scandal-mongers from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, both dates inclusive. The bawdy humorists from Feb. 1 to May 1, open season all the year on life insurance agents, picture pedlars and newspapers borrowers. The new law came into force on July 1. Portage Liberal.

The London Advertiser tells that while the Hon. Thos. Greenway was visiting Exeter recently, while driving home with a single lady, the horses took fright, ran away and upset the carriage. Mr. Greenway was thrown out alighting on his head and arm, receiving a number of bruises and had his arm fractured. The boys escaped uninjured. The buggy and horses were smashed.

R. T. Rokeby, the ex-president of the Commercial bank, and who is said to have done up the concern for a great many thousands, skipped when a warrant was issued the other day. The Tribune says that Capt. A. W. Law with a fellow feeling that made him wondrous kind, gave Rokeby a hint, and he was off. What was coming and he acted on it to his personal advantage. It is understood the charge is that Rokeby, when acting as manager of the bank in 1891 made false returns to the receiver general of the Dominion. The difference between the actual state of affairs and Mr. Rokeby's returns is reported to be over \$50,000.

Financial stringency is always attended with difficulty in making collections. There are persons who so directly feel the pressure of hard times that they are unable to meet their just claims against them as presented, but there are many more who simply do not want to part with their money when there is a restricted circulation, and retain it with the general excuse that times are close. This fault lies chiefly with men of means, who always have ready money at their command but put off their creditors from week to week, or month to month, thus withholding it from the channels in which it would so far, towards restoring general confidence and prosperity. Farmers' Sun.

I'd like to be a boy again, without a woe or care, with freckles scattered on my face and hayseed in my hair. I'd like to rise at four o'clock and do a hundred chores and saw the wood, and feed the hogs, and lock the stable doors and herd the hens, and watch the bees, and take the milk to drink, and teach the turkeys how to swim, so that they wouldn't sink; and milk about a hundred cows and bring the wood to burn, and stand out in the sun, all day and churn and churn and churn; and wear my brother's cast-off clothes and walk for miles to school and get a licking every day for breaking some good rule; and then get home again at night and do the chores once more, and milk the cows and feed the hogs, and carry mules gallop; and then crawl wearily upstairs to seek my little bed, and hear dad say, "that worthless boy! he isn't worth his bread!" I'd like to be a boy again, a boy has so much fun. His life is just a round of mirth from rise to set of sun. I guess there's nothing pleasanter than posing in the stable doors, and herding hens and chasing bees, and doing evening chores. Washington News.

A POSTMASTER IN TROUBLE.  
GRANT, ONT., July 31. Probably there is no man more widely known in the County of Dundas and vicinity than M. J. C. Munro, of this place. He has carried on business as a general store-keeper for twenty years, and has also, for many years been the legal postmaster. He has been a prominent church member, and a leading man in social circles. He has always been looked up to with respect and esteem, and his word, to use a phrase current among those who know him, is a good as his bond. It was a matter of general regret when it became known about four years ago that he was suffering from dropsy, which has afflicted him ever since. The pleasure of Mr. Munro's many friends may more easily be imagined than described, when it was learned he had begun using Dodd's kidney pills, and had found in them a cure by means of which he is rapidly regaining sound health.

WHAT MRS. GRUNDY WANTS TO KNOW.  
DEAR SIR:  
If you or any of your Elkhorn correspondents will oblige me with answers to the following questions I shall be extremely grateful:  
Why the leader of the Presbyterian choir does not sit amongst the sinners?  
Why they sing so fast those who do not know the words?  
Who the Lippentott correspondent is?  
Why does he think so much of lemon pie?  
If he will come and have lemon pie at Mrs. Grundy's?  
If the man of the eyeglass and toothpick persuasion has lost his best girl?  
Why so many of the Elkhorn bachelors

prefer going with themselves for their Sunday evening's walk?  
If it is proper for bachelors to sport married women?  
Respectfully Yours,  
Mrs. Grundy.

#### DECEASED.

The Sunday School picnic came off on Wednesday last and a very enjoyable time was spent by all. The 500 ball match between Beulah-Blaris resulted in favor of the former by 4 goals to 1, after which both teams were treated to a most substantial repast kindly provided by their lady friends.

The storm of Thursday last hardly reached our district, but away north we hear of untold damage to crops, buildings and other farm property. Mr. Marshall, north of Beulah, had the roof blown off his house, luckily injuring no one. Mr. McLean had his house blown right over into the Arrow river.

Some of the crops in this vicinity are beginning to assume a golden hue and cutting grain will commence round here about the 12th it is generally expected.

Miss Watkins of Elkhorn has been visiting with friends at Beulah the last few days.

We are all still straining our ears to catch the first whistle of the North West Central engine on its way to our great wheat emporium of Beulah, but hope deferred maketh the heart sick, and it is a pretty sick crowd we find around Beulah at the way our interests are let go to the dogs to fill the pockets of a few speculators.

DECLARE.  
Mr. T. H. Martin has removed to McGregor where he contemplates living in the future. We regret to part with Mr. Martin and family. They were kept busy previous to their departure receiving friends and acquaintances, but hope they to wish them health and prosperity in their new home.

MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.  
On Wednesday night of last week, we had one of the most severe thunderstorms that has ever visited this district. The rain fell in torrents, and the wind was the roaring of Mr. G. Carefoot's stable. The roof was built of heavy flooring lumber and was literally picked up and carried about thirty-five yards before it broke and scattered.

We are glad to hear that Mr. Carscadon's children are getting better after their long illness, and we hope soon to see them around again as before. Also that Thomas Winters, who was run over with a wagon partly loaded with stone is recovering.

Crops in this district are looking well. Owing to the dry season the straw is generally shorter, but the yield promises to be up to, if not ahead of, the average.

On Saturday last a picnic for the Montgomery and Joel districts was held at the farm of Mr. Wm. Bray. The day was fine, though a little windy, and with baseball, football, croquet, etc., and races for the children, a pleasant afternoon was spent.

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THE ELKHORN BAKERY  
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WHITE, BROWN,  
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BUNS,  
CAKES,  
BISCUITS  
& Pastry on hand.  
WEDDING CAKES  
A SPECIALTY.

THE ELKHORN BAKERY  
Bread tickets for sale  
at the Bakery, and also  
at Broadley's Hardware Store.

LAUNDRY.  
Mrs. Baggs, an experienced laundress, used to steam laundries, wishes to inform the public that she has commenced business on the south side of the railway track where she is prepared to do all kinds of laundry work.

strayed  
STRAYED ON TO MY PREMISES.  
June 14th, brood-pig, brown and black points, white stripe on face, branded hip and shoulder. ALEX. MONTGOMERY, 20, 10, 10, Lippentott, Man. 248

#### Rural Municipality of Wallace.

Notice is hereby given that a vote of the owners of property in townships 11 and 12 in Range 23, and townships 10, 11, 12, in Range 24 will be taken for or against By-Law No. 138 of the said rural municipality of Wallace, being a By-law to raise \$1,000 by the sale of abutments, for the purpose of bonusing any person or company, who will erect in the township of Elkhorn a grist mill, capable of manufacturing at least 100 barrels of flour per day. The abutments will be made payable in twenty yearly payments of \$50 each with interest at 6 per cent, to be paid on the first day of February in each year, after the said By-law takes effect.

The date of the taking of the said vote is Saturday the 27th day of June A. D. 1893. The poll will be opened at the hour of 9 a. m. and will be kept open until the hour of 5 o'clock p. m. on that date.

There will be one polling place only, viz. at Broadley's Hall, Elkhorn, where all persons entitled to vote are to appear, and where the rural municipality of Wallace, dated at Wallace, this 25th day of May, A. D. 1893.

That a vote having been taken on the 24th June, 1893, and the By-law carried by a vote of 111 for By-law, to against By-law 5.

All persons are hereby required to take notice that any one desirous of applying to have such By-law in any way thereof quashed, must make his application for that purpose to a Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench sitting in Chambers, within three months next after the publication of this notice once a week for three successive weeks in the Elkhorn Advocate, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

A. G. MCDUGALL, Secretary Treas. of the rural Municipality of Wallace.  
Dated at Elkhorn, this 22nd day of July, A. D. 1893.

ELKHORN MARKETS.  
Rolled Oats.....\$0.00 to 3.00  
Standard Oats.....0.00 2.00  
Grain, Oatsmeal.....0.03 3.00  
Wheat.....0.50 0.52  
Oats.....0.10 0.35  
Flour, Hungarian.....0.00 2.45  
Flour, Prairie Queen.....0.00 2.15  
Flour, Strong Bakers.....0.00 2.00  
Beef, Carcase.....0.04 0.04 1/2  
Beef, retail.....0.03 0.10  
Mutton, carcase.....0.09 0.10  
Mutton, retail.....0.10 0.12 1/2  
Pork, carcase.....0.08 0.07 1/2  
Pork, retail.....0.08 0.12 1/2  
Bacon, breakfast.....0.00 0.10  
Bacon, long clear.....0.00 0.13  
Hams, smoked.....0.15 0.17  
Butter.....0.00 0.11  
Eggs, fresh, per doz.....0.00 0.11 1/2  
Potatoes, per bush.....0.00 0.25  
Hay per ton.....0.00 1.00  
Chickens (per lb.).....0.00 0.12  
Coal, Pennsylvania per ton.....0.00 13.00  
Coal, Galt.....0.00 8.75  
Coal, Estevan.....0.00 4.50  
Wool, washed.....0.10 0.14  
Wool, unwashed.....0.09 0.09

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#### R. M. COOMBS & Company's

This week we have started in our

#### Great Midsummer Clearing Sale,

And will slaughter our whole stock at 'wholesale' figures

for Cash. Cash is what we want, and Cash is what we are going to have for Goods at these cut prices. You will note some of the prices now going for Goods at the Mammoth Store.

Table Oil Cloth 25c per yd. Flannelette at 7c. per yd. All Dry Goods at a discount of 25 per cent; and in some cases we will give you 30 per cent off. Clothing is reduced 20 and 25 per cent of every \$1.00. Boots and Shoes are reduced 25 per cent in all cases, and in some job lines we cut the prices in two.

Hardware. We will allow a discount of 25 per cent on all Goods bought from this Department.

When you come in ask to see our grocery, and we will give you a good Tea set for \$1.75, worth \$3.00. Groceries away down low.

Drugs all at a discount of 25 per cent, and three boxes Pink Pills for \$1.00.

All Goods subject to a discount must be paid for in cash at time of purchase.

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